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Re: Application of Miles Barnaby **GERRARD** and Luigi **IPPOLITO** entitled

**MOTOR-VEHICLE INDEPENDENT SUSPENSION**

Assignee: **SISTEMI SOSPENSIONI S.p.A.**

Our Ref: **Q90854**

Dear Sir:

The following documents are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- a copy of the International Application as filed.
- 4 sheets of drawings as filed.
- a copy of the ISR.
- a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing the ISR/IPER references.
- a Preliminary Amendment.

A copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and a copy of the executed Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

In addition to the documents submitted herewith, it is assumed that copies of the International Application as filed, the International Search Report and complete copies of the references cited therein, the International Preliminary Examination Report, copy of the certified copy of the priority document and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by §371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned will undertake to provide them upon request.

**It is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f).**

**Please see the attached preliminary amendment before calculating Government filing fee.**

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Total claims	9	-	20	=	0	x	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	1	-	3	=	0	x	\$200.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee									\$300.00
Search Fee*									\$400.00
Examination Fee*									\$200.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>									<b>\$900.00</b>

\* The international search fee for all claims was not paid to the USPTO, as the ISA, but the ISR is being submitted herewith.

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$900.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
ITALY	TO2003A000313	April 22, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

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## **PATENT APPLICATION**

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In re application of Attorney Docket No: Q90854

Miles Barnaby GERRARD, *et al.* PCT/IB2004/001196

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## **SUBMISSION OF INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT**

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Siri:

Submitted herewith is a copy of the International Search Report or International Preliminary Examination Report received in the International Application corresponding to the above U.S. Application and a PTO/SB/08 A&B (modified) listing the references cited in the Report. Upon issuing the Report, the International Bureau should send a copy of the Report and the cited references to the United States Patent and Trademark Office. However, if the Examiner would like us to obtain and file copies of the references with the USPTO, please contact the office of the undersigned attorney. The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge receipt of the International Search Report or International Preliminary Examination Report.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not

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waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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